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For: ERROR DETECTION FOR DATA STORAGE AND TRANSMISSION

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance included with the Notice of Allowability mailed August 13, 2004, in the above-identified application and wish to note that on page 3, line 1, "truck" should read --track--; on page 3, line 3, "trucks" should read --tracks--; and on page 3, lines 5-7 should read as follows:

bytes derived in accordance with the polynomial  $X^2 + X\alpha^2 + \alpha$ ,

where

$\alpha$  is the primitive element  $GF(2^8)$ ,

$X$  = the value of the byte  $k$  of track  $j$ ,

$j=1\dots 2M, A, B$  and

$k = 1\dots P/2$ .

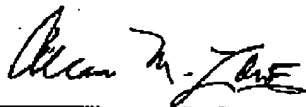
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The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt and consideration of these comments.

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